



Kia ora e te whānau

Senior Prize Giving on Wednesday was a wonderful celebration of the outstanding achievements by our senior students in the Academic, Performing Arts and Sports arenas. Although the current Covid -19 restrictions stopped whānau and friends from attending in person, we were encouraged to have so many people join us online for the celebrations. It was unique to have the whole senior school together again for a Senior Prize Giving. Despite it being another very disruptive year, it was inspiring to recall and recognise so many stunning student achievements.

My thanks to everyone who helped organise and create this memorable event and well done to everyone who received an award. Special congratulations go to Jacob Smith and Mary-Jane Brock-Smith who picked up the premier academic awards of Dux and Proxime Accessit, respectively. Our male and female Performing Arts Ambassadors were Seth Fleming and Jasmine Rixon. While our key sports awards, Sportsman, Sportswoman and Sports Team of the year were received by Ben Baines, Shinae Stanley and the Senior A netball team.



On Wednesday we were privileged to witness a wonderful Waiata and Haka performed by our Te Kainga students as a mark of respect for, and to honour, our Year 13 leavers. It was also heart-warming to see our Year 13 cohort respond so appreciatively to our junior students with some wise words of advice to them.

With seniors' on study leave, our Year 9 and 10 students have been sitting their important end of year Mathematics and English exams. These exams will help staff determine the most appropriate English and Mathematics classes for our 2022 Year 10 and Year 11 students. It is encouraging to see them taking these exams seriously.

It is the senior's turn for exams on Monday. The NCEA examinations begin at 9:30am with Level 2 Physics. We wish all our seniors well for their upcoming examinations and trust that they are diligently revising their work so they can do their best and reach their potential in the examinations.

This week 8WO, 8BZ and 8GY have been enjoying the beauty of Queenstown on their Year 8 camp. The weather played its part in the second half of the week and the group have had a wonderful time trying some great activities including biscuiting, kayaking, biking, and climbing. Thanks to the staff and parent helpers who make our Year 8 camps so memorable.



Noho ora mai

**Brenton Hackfath**  
DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

### Reminder – Year 9 Scholarships for 2022

Year 9 Scholarships for 2022 close Tuesday 30 November 2021.

**Teacher Only Day – Wednesday 1 December 2021**  
**College Closed**

## Key Dates

22 November NCEA Exams start	2 December Taieri College Mountain Biking to Naseby
23 November Year 8 HPV Catch up	3-8 December Bronze DoE Camp Glenorchy
22-26 November Year 8 Camp No. 3 8JT/8KJ	8 December DoE Bronze Routeburn Tramp
24 November Junior Volleyball Tournament	9 December Year 7/8 Big Day In
1 December Teacher Only Day – College Closed	13 December Senior Clearance Day Years 11-13
	14 December End of Term 4

## Sports Council Golf Day

WOW what a day! Thank you for the many messages received wishing us well and of course the wonderful donations. We will update with a figure when we have that confirmed.

Thank you to our TC students and teaching staff, who were on sight to pitch in. It's always impressive to see you all out there interacting with our sponsors and players. I would also like to mention the support we receive from the students at Otago Polytechnic- Institute of Sport, Exercise & Health. This is definitely a win, win partnership.

Taieri Lakes Golf Course, is a simply stunning venue and to the staff, you allow us to come in and take over, working alongside us.

Thank you to Resene for our player goodie bags and other sponsorship made. A huge shout out! To David Kennedy, from Braveheart Projects and Decorators; the use of your golf cart and your total generosity with donations and help given in the lead up and on the day was very much appreciated.

No Auction is complete without a hard working auctioneer with the gift of the gab! Rob Fowler you nailed it for us, securing some fantastic dollars on our auction items. Thank you Rob, you are a legend.

To Trish & Ken McCarthy from Super Liquor Mosgiel, thank you on a balmy Taieri day for keeping our golfers hydrated. Thank you to Fulton Hogan for the use of their big BBQ & to Leckies Butchery for sponsoring all our sausages.

Finally to the hard working, Taieri College Sports Council, you are impressive and a fantastic proactive committee to work alongside. The many positive comments received are with thanks for your hard work.

On behalf of the Sports Council, we would like to also thank these businesses for sponsoring HOLES and AUCTION items on the day.

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## Taieri College Sports Council

Mission: ' To promote and encourage sport at Taieri College and on the Taieri'

Taieri College's Sports Council is a committee made up of both parents and teachers. We rely heavily on the generosity of sponsorship to keep our programmes in place; to fund teams and individuals; to supply equipment; to upgrade playing areas, and to purchase school vans to transport our students. We aim to give our young athletes every opportunity possible.

Our Sports Council is always welcoming and very appreciative of any new sponsors wishing to come on Board. If you think this is an area you can help, please contact The Sports Office (sport@taieri.school.nz)

There are four LEVELS of Sponsorship: PREMIER (amount is by negotiation), PLATINUM (\$2,000 + GST per year), GOLD (\$1,000 + GST per year) and SILVER (\$500 + GST per year).

Each MONTH the Sports Council would like to SHOWCASE one of our valued sponsors. Where possible we urge our Taieri College families to support these generous businesses just like they support us.

Well another year is nearly over for the Sports Council, but not before we signed off with a very successful Golf Day. Thank goodness the weather gods were on our side and set the tone for what was an action packed, fun day for our 27 teams.

Thank you to all the families and businesses who have so generously donated towards our Golf Day. On behalf of the Sports Council, we would like to also thank these businesses for sponsoring holes and auction items on the day.

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## NZCAF Nationals - Aerobics

Well done to Philippa King who recently competed in the NZCAF Nationals last weekend representing Taieri College and Jump Start Aerobics. She placed first in her Pre-Choreographed Secondary Individual sections.



## Mosgiel Health Centre Inglis Street, Mosgiel

Covid-19 Drop In Vaccination Clinics are available for this Saturday 20 November 2021 at the Mosgiel Health Centre for ages 12 Years and above.

**No appointment necessary.**

## Sport

Earlier this week we celebrated many sporting students and their achievements at our Senior Prizegiving, and all students were very deserving of their awards in what has been a challenging year for sport once again. We would like to celebrate two special awards that were presented on Wednesday afternoon, our sportswoman and sportsman of the year.

### Sportswoman of the Year: Shinae Stanley

Shinae is a very skilled, but equally hard working athlete. Shinae competed in the Secondary Schools' Girls' triathlon and gained bronze in the Otago's and then also the South Island Secondary Schools' U19 girls grade. Shinae is also a leading team member of both the Senior A Girls' Basketball and Senior A Netball team. The A girls basketball team had a stunning year where they finished runners up in the Otago Secondary School Premier grade. For the Senior A netball side, Shinae is a top performing player, a former captain and has represented the team 78 times during her time at Taieri College.



### Sportsman of the Year: Ben Baines

Ben Baines - Ben has achieved great success in athletics on the national stage. At secondary school level he is the senior boys para shotput, discus and javelin champion. In gaining these titles he set new national records in the shotput and the javelin. At the New Zealand track and field champs Ben won the Men's F37 Javelin class, and set a new record of 33.44m which places him 6th in the world for 2021.





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## Year 7 Just Swim Lessons

For the past two weeks our Year 7s have had a 30 minute Just Swim instructed lesson everyday. This opportunity has been made available through the Skills2Swim programme supported by Sport Otago and implemented by Just Swim as an approved provider. By meeting the requirements of this programme, we are able to receive 10 lessons per student. We thank our parents for their support with this programme, it's such a valuable activity for our students. Our aim is to prepare students for a safe and happy summer holiday when in and near the water.

We are very fortunate at Taieri College to have the wonderful pool facility that we have on site. Our thanks extends to Bruce, our caretaker for his upkeep and maintenance on this lovely facility. The Year 7s would also like to thank the PE department for allowing us to use one of their teaching spaces. It has been great watching the progress and development of students' swimming strokes improve over the last fortnight.

Pictured is 7HU and 7AM enjoying their time of instruction.



## Write with Power and Purpose

**YOUR TASK:** Each week choose 3 KEY WORDS from across your subjects and challenge yourself to use these words in your writing and life. Record each word on the table below and keep track of how you are using it throughout the week.

KEY WORD:	SUBJECT:	WORD USED IN WRITING TALLY:	WORD USED IN CONVERSATION:	FAVOURITE USE OF THE WORD FROM THE WEEK: (can be written or verbal)

### Instructions:

The best way to learn vocabulary is to USE vocabulary. Students simply choose three 'Key Words' from across their subjects each week, challenge themselves to use the word as often as they can in the proper context, and then share their favourite/most effective way of using it in the last column of the chart. Students can then share their favourite as part of a weekly class routine, or a weekly family and whanau routine. Students can even challenge members of their family and whanau to take part in the activity and see who comes out on top each week!

Prior to the activity (possibly in class) or to add another layer, students can also write out the literal definition, figurative and connotative meanings, and visual **representations of each 'Key Word' word.**



## Year 8 Camp

